THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU): (a) and (b) There is no project under consideration of the Government for integrated expansion of Infrastructure and public amenities in major cities. However, a Centrally sponsored scheme for development of infrastructure in five mega cities of Mumbai, Calcutta, Chennai, Bangalore and Hyderabad was initiated during 1993-94. The main features of the scheme as approved by the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs on 16.3.1995 are:

(i) the sharing between Central and State Government would be in the ratio of 25:25 and the balance 50% is to be met from Institutional Finance; (ii) the projects to be included under the scheme would be of three categories: (a) Basic Services projects, (b) User charge based projects and (c) Remunerative projects: (iii) the funds are to be channelised through a specialised institution/nodal agency at the State level which would provide project related finance for urban infrastructure projects including water supply, sewerage, drainage, sanitation, city transport network, land development, slum improvement, solid waste management etc.

(c) No, Sir. No talks have been held with international agencies for getting funds for the aforesaid scheme.

(d) Does not arise.

Per-Capita-Allocation

833. SHRI KACHARU BHAU RAUT: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) the per-capita-allocation of amount made for agriculture and rural development for Maharashtra during each of the last three years;

(b) the amount demanded by the State Government and the amount sanctioned for this purpose by the Planning Commission during the said period; and

(c) the reasons for allocating low amount?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI YOGINDER K. ALAGH): (a) The per capita allocation for Maharashtra in respect of Agriculture and Rural Development sectors in the State Plan for the last three years is as follows:-

Period	Agriculture (Rs.)	Rural Development (Rs.)
1994-95	47.23	48.08
1995-96	55.19	61.89
1996-97	67.84	127.05

(b) The amount demanded and the amount sanctioned in respect of Agriculture and Rural Development sectors in the State Plan are almost the same during the said period.

(c) Does not arise.

[Translation]

Approval of Projects

834. SHRI K.D. SULTAN PURI :
SHRI BHAKTA CHARAN DAS :
SHRI A.G.S. RAM BABU :

Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state :

(a) the details of projects submitted for approval by the State Governments of Orissa, Tamil Nadu and Himachal Pradesh to the Planning Commission during the last three years till date;

(b) the present status of these proposals; and

(c) the quantum of funds demanded and allocated project-wise ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI YOGINDER K. ALAGH) : (a) to (c) The Annual Plan outlays of the States are approved by the Planning Commission alongwith broad sectoral/sub-sectoral allocations. The details of development Projects within the approved sectoral/sub-sectoral outlays are decided by the State Governments. However, investment approval is required from Planning Commission for different projects in Power and Irrigation sectors. As per infromation available in the Planning Commission the following projects have been approved in Orissa, Tamil Nadu and Himachal Pradesh during the last three years :

Name of State	Project	Estimated cost (Rs. in Crore)
1. Orissa	(i) Orissa Water Resources Consolidation Project	977.00
	(ii) Bagh Barrage Project	44.72
	(iii) Subarnarekha Irrigation Project	790.32
	(iv) Baghalati Medium Irrigation Project	45.44
2. Tamil Nadu	Tamil Nadu Water Resources Consolidation Project	807.49
3. Himachal Pradesh	Shah Nahar Irrigation Project	143.32

[English]

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835. SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI NAVIN CHANDRA MEHTA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :